

provide services, local governments must attempt to project what the service demand (and cost) will be and make plans to meet the increased demand prior to the actual point in time when the demand is a reality. In 1997, the Town developed its first capital improvement plan although, as previously stated, Kill Devil Hills has a history of budgeting for certain capital expenditures.

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POLICY

The Town supports the concept of capital improvement planning.

IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

The Town will amend its Capital Improvement Plan annually during the planning period.

The Town will conduct annual capital planning workshops prior to the budgeting process.

33. **Growth**

BACKGROUND

The development of previously undeveloped land in Currituck County may come to fruition and effect growth in Dare County and Kill Devil Hills. The key for Kill Devil Hills is to keep land values in line with other communities. The fact that the land in Kill Devil Hills was platted long ago has predetermined development patterns to a large degree. However, redevelopment patterns must receive more attention.

Survey results indicate support for not increasing population densities while the overall opinion of Town services is satisfactory.

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POLICY

The Town supports current regulatory efforts to maintain a moderate growth rate with a 2002-03 target permanent population of approximately 6,100 persons and a target peak population of approximately 48,000. It also supports government action to promote redevelopment and to make the Town a more desirable place to live and locate.

IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY